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REACTIONS TO REST'S BELIEVED DEPARTURE FOR THE ISLAND (GREAT BRITAIN):
ALEKSEJ, GUS', REST'S SISTER, MAJ (1944)

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To VIKTOR[i].

In July when it became known that REST[ii] might be leaving for the ISLAND [OSTROV][iii], instructions were given to ALEKSEJ[iv], and by the latter to GUS'[v], to arrange a password for a meeting with REST in case he was leaving. On 5 August REST did not appear at the meeting and GUS' missed the next meeting, pleading pressure of work. R.[ii] was not at the following control meeting. When he checked on R.'s apartment, GUS' was informed that R. had left for the ISLAND. In order to re-check, I sent G.[v] to R.'s sister[vi];abc and her husband the departure up to 20 September[vii]

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should check his arrival. I did not have time to hand over to R. the 500 dollars authorized by you[viii].

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- Footnotes: [i] VIKTOR: Lt General Pavel Mikhajlovich FITIN.
- [ii] REST/R.: Klaus Emil Julius FUCHS. He had in fact been transferred to LOS ALAMOS, where he arrived on or about 14 August 1944: cf NEW YORK's No. 1606 of 16 November 1944 [REDACTED].
- [iii] ISLAND: GREAT BRITAIN.
- [iv] ALEKSEJ: Anatolij Antonovich YAKOVLEV.
- [v] GUS'/G.: ie "GOOSE"; Harry GOLD.
- [vi] R.'s
sister: Mrs Kristel Fuchs HEINEMAN, wife of Robert Block HEINEMAN.
- [vii] Cf NEW YORK's No. 1345 of 22 September 1944 [REDACTED]
the main verb here is presumably in the subsequent unrecoverable passage.
- [viii] Cf NEW YORK's No. 1049 of 25 July 1944 ([REDACTED])
- [ix] MAJ: ie "MAY"; Stepan Zakharovich APRESYAN.

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